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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Examiner Todd J. Kilkenny  
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PAUL W. BROWN : Group Art Unit 1733  
: :  
Serial No. 10/047,226 : Entitled:  
: :  
Filed January 14, 2002 : A METHOD OF RESISTING CORROSION IN  
: METAL REINFORCING ELEMENTS CONTAINED  
Atty Docket 287122-00001-2 : IN CONCRETE AND RELATED COMPOUNDS  
: AND STRUCTURES

**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

November 5, 2003

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sirs:

This is in response to the Office Action dated July 2, 2003, in connection with the above-captioned application. A two-month extension of time request is enclosed, bringing the time for reply to December 2, 2003. The Office Action has been carefully reviewed, and the following response offered in an attempt to advance the case to allowance. Reconsideration and early allowance of all pending claims in light of the following amendments and remarks is courteously requested. Please amend the captioned application as follows: